IN THE CLAIMS

Amendments To The Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

 (Currently Amended) A recording/reproduction device for an information recording medium on which video data and audio data are recorded independently of each other.

wherein on the information recording medium, in a separate area from a main sequence in which data blocks including original audio data and video data are recorded in succession, an additional sequence in which data blocks including post-record audio data are recorded in succession is formed.

the recording/reproduction device comprising:

a pick-up for recording or reproducing information onto/from the information recording medium, and

a control portion for controlling an operation of the pick-up.

wherein during reproduction from the information recording medium, the control portion controls an operation of the pick-up in the following order of (1) to (4),

when M (M is an integer of 2 or larger) data blocks in the main sequence and M data blocks in the additional sequence, corresponding to each other in a real-time, are read out from the main sequence and the additional sequence, respectively,

- (1) from a head <u>data</u> block of the M data blocks in the main sequence, only original audio data of the <u>one head data</u> block are read out with video data <u>of</u> the head data block not read out,
- (2) post-record audio data are read out in succession from the M data blocks in the additional sequence that correspond to the M data blocks in the main sequence.

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- (3) video data are read out from the head <u>data</u> block of the main sequence, and
- (4) original audio data and video data are read out from <u>remaining (M-1)</u> data blocks in the main sequence.
- 2-3. (Cancelled)
- 4. (Previously Presented) The recording/reproduction device according to claim 1, wherein when a total amount of video data that is read out from (M+1) data blocks is taken as YV, a bit rate of the video data is taken as VdV, a time necessary for reading out the video data from the (M+1) data blocks is taken as Tsv, and a process time that is necessary for processes other than reading out of the video data during a period between a time when reading out of the video data from the first data block is started and a time when reading out of the video data from the (M+1)-th data block is ended in the (M+1) data blocks is taken as Tnv,

YV/VdV≥Tsv+Tnv is satisfied.

5-9. (Cancelled)